



INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES COMMISSION TOWN OF VOLUNTOWN

May 6, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 PM

Members present were: Tom Sweet, Carl Grenier. Present via virtual link and phone: Bob Panko.

Staff present: Wetlands Agent Joe Theroux.

Others present: Brandon Hyde

Seating of alternates: None.

Additions to agenda:

George & Stephanie Vargas: 14 Beachview Extension

John Lobosco: 20 Beachview Extension

Approval of minutes: 1/7/2021: Tabled

Old Business: None

New Business:

William Rose: 207 Brown Rd. Proposed driveway with culvert crossing.

As the applicant was not present, J. Theroux explained the application for a gravel driveway, with a 15 inch diameter culvert crossing of a small intermittent watercourse shown on the original subdivision plan by Louis Soja. The applicant wants to establish the driveway to access the property to begin clearing for a future home, which is not proposed at this time.

Motion to accept application by: C. Grenier

Second by: T. Sweet

Motion carries.

George Vargas: 14 Beachview Extension:

As the applicant was not present, J. Theroux explained the application for a single family residence, driveway and associated site grading. The well and septic system are currently installed and minimal site disturbance is proposed.

Motion to accept application by: C. Grenier

Second by: B. Panko

Motion carries.

John Lobosco: 20 Beachview Extension:

Mr. Brandon Hyde from Hyde Landscaping was present and explained the application for the miscellaneous proposed retaining walls, steps, a stone patio, and various landscape plantings. A previous septic system repair was performed and the site needs to be re-graded and stabilized. Agent J. Theroux gave Hyde Landscaping permission to install E&S measures, seed and mulch the disturbed areas.

Agent J. Theroux asked for a clearer plan showing the proposed activities.

Motion to accept application by: C. Grenier

Second by: B. Panko

Motion carries.

Correspondence:

A resignation letter was read into the record from Mr. David Miner by J. Theroux. It was noted that he had served for 42 years on the commission and he would be sadly missed.

A flyer from the Eastern Connecticut Conservation District and the Connecticut Wildlife magazine were also received.

Agents Report:

Agent J. Theroux informed the Commission of an existing wetlands violation which had occurred months ago by Mr. Jack Cipriano, on his property on North Shore Rd. While grading and renovating the site, he pushed a significant quantity of fill into the intermittent watercourse on the parcel, partially blocking it. He was notified months ago to remove the fill and apply for a permit but nothing was received. Agent J. Theroux recently spoke with Mr. Cipriano again and ordered him to submit an application/remove the material. He indicated he wanted to submit an application to add more fill because one of the cabins was right at the edge of the wetlands/watercourse.

Agent J. Theroux is expecting the application by next month.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn by: C. Grenier

Second by: B. Panko

Motion carries.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

Agent J. Theroux

Acting Secretary

Thomas Sweet, Chairman